

Claim 5, line 1, delete "1" and substitute therefor -- 29 --.

Claim 15, line 1, delete "whrein" and substitute therefor -- wherein --.

17. (Amended) [The artificial bait structure of claim 1] An artificial bait structure,
comprising:
a head having a forward end and a rearward end; and
first and second legs extending rearwardly from the rearward end of the head,
wherein each leg defines an inner edge and an outer edge and terminates at a rearward end, and
wherein the inner edge of each leg includes a generally linear portion adjacent the rearward end of
the leg, wherein the generally linear portions of the legs face each other, and wherein each leg
further includes a concave arcuate portion [projecting] extending toward the outer edge of the leg
forwardly of the linear portion.

18. (Amended) [The artificial bait structure of claim 1] An artificial bait structure,
comprising:
a head having a forward end and a rearward end; and
first and second legs extending rearwardly from the rearward end of the head,
wherein each leg defines an inner edge and an outer edge and terminates at a rearward end, and
wherein the outer edge of each leg has a generally convex shape defining a substantially
continuous arc between the rearward end of the leg and a location spaced forwardly therefrom, and
wherein each leg defines a first width adjacent the head and a second width greater than the first
width at a location spaced rearwardly therefrom.

26. (Amended) An artificial bait structure, comprising:
a head defining a forward end of the artificial bait structure and having a thickness;
and
a pair of legs extending rearwardly from the head, wherein the legs are configured
such that each leg defines an outer edge located laterally outwardly relative to the head and such
that the legs define facing inner edges, wherein the legs have a thickness less than that of the head,
and wherein each leg defines a first width adjacent the head and a second width greater than the
first width at a location spaced rearwardly therefrom.

Please add new claims 29-33 as follows.

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- 5 -- 29. An artificial bait structure, comprising:
a head having a forward end and a rearward end; and
first and second legs extending rearwardly from the rearward end of the head,
wherein each leg defines a forward end interconnected with the head and a rearward end spaced
5 rearwardly from the forward end, wherein each leg, throughout at least a portion of its length
rearwardly of its forward end, defines an increasing width in a forward-to-rearward direction such
that at least a portion of each leg located toward the leg rearward end has a width greater than a
portion of each leg located toward the leg forward end.

94 30. The artificial bait structure of claim 29, wherein each leg increases in width in
a forward-to-rearward direction from a point adjacent the forward end of the leg to a point of
maximum width located rearwardly therefrom, and wherein each leg decreases in width from the
point of maximum width to the rearward end of the leg.

5 31. The artificial bait structure of claim 29, wherein each leg defines an inner edge
and an outer edge, and wherein each leg inner edge defines an arcuate portion toward the forward
end of the leg and a linear portion extending rearwardly from the arcuate portion, wherein the
arcuate portions of the legs cooperate to define an opening between the legs adjacent the leg
5 forward ends.

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5 32. An artificial bait structure, comprising:
a head having a forward end and a rearward end; and
first and second legs extending rearwardly from the rearward end of the head,
wherein each leg defines a forward end interconnected with the head and a rearward end spaced
5 rearwardly from the forward end, wherein each leg defines an inner edge and an outer edge, and
wherein the inner edge of each leg includes an arcuate portion toward the forward end of each leg
and a linear portion extending rearwardly from the arcuate portion, wherein the arcuate portions of
the legs cooperate to define an opening between the legs toward the leg forward ends, and wherein
the linear portions of the leg inner edges face each other and extend between the rearward end of
10 each leg and the arcuate portion.